John J. Mullins
President
and Chief Executive Officer



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Ms. Cynthia L. Johnson, Director Cash Management Policy & Planning Division Financial Management Service Room 420, 401 14th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20227

Re:

Federal Register

Department of the Treasury

Part VI

31 CFR Part 203

Payment of Federal Taxes and the Treasury Tax and Loan Program;

Proposed Rule

Dear Ms. Johnson:

In response to the proposed rule change regarding the rate of interest charged to TT & L Depositaries for the use of Treasury funds. I feel this would have a negative impact on our bank as we have been able to use these funds, at a comfortable rate, to make loans with competitive interest rates. We are in a rural area with nine other banks in the area, therefore, we must be competitive in soliciting and make loans.

My comment would be to leave the TT & L Investment Program unchanged.

Sincerely

John J. Mullins

President & Chief Executive Officer

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